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Hundreds marched down Broadway to the Legislative Building Tuesday demanding an inquiry into murdered and missing women in Manitoba and across Canada, following the arrest of alleged serial killer Shawn Cameron Lamb Monday. A candlelight vigil followed to honour victims Tanya Nepinak, 31, Carolyn Sinclair, 25, and Lorna Blacksmith, 18. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Inquiry rejected

Missing, murdered women. Justice minister says no to public inquiry at this time

The Manitoba government has no plans to hold a public inquiry into missing and murdered aboriginal women, despite a call from some of the province's aboriginal leaders.

"We're not even discussing that at this time. They key thing is we don't want to get in the way of a criminal investigation," Justice Minister Andrew Swan said Tuesday.

"Right now, that is our priority — to try to get closure for the families that have been pained by this."

Swan's comments followed the arrest of Shawn Cameron Lamb, 52, on charges of killing three aboriginal women in Winnipeg. Police are not ruling out further charges and are talking with forces in other provinces to see if Lamb may be connected to cases elsewhere.

The bodies of two of Lamb's alleged victims — Carolyn Sinclair, 25, and Lorna Blacksmith, 18 — were found wrapped in plastic near garbage bins. The body of the third woman, Tanya Nepinak, 31, has not been recovered.

Aboriginal leaders want a public inquiry to examine how reports of missing women are investigated by police. David Nepinak, head of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, says many aboriginals have feared there is a serial killer targeting native women in Winnipeg.

Nepinak and other leaders attended a march and candlelight vigil at the legislature Tuesday night.

Swan said the province has focused on ensuring police have the resources to investigate missing-women cases and other crimes, and he has raised the issue on the national stage.

"We talked about those issues as recently as January when (provincial) justice ministers met. We want to do our part on the justice side to make sure the resources are there to take on these cases and to solve these cases."

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Council inquiry

Don't dismiss judge over explicit photos, says lawyer

Removing a Manitoba judge from the bench for appearing in sexually explicit photos would be akin to penalizing a rape victim whose assault was videotaped and uploaded to the Internet, a lawyer argued Tuesday.

Block's client, Lori Douglas, is being investigated over accusations she sexually harassed Alexander Chapman in 2003. Chapman was given naked photos of Douglas by her husband Jack King. King and Douglas were both lawyers and King had represented Chapman in a divorce.

One of the four allegations being heard by the council is whether the very existence of the photos — some of which show Douglas in bondage gear and performing sex acts — damage public confidence in her or the justice system.

King has admitted he uploaded and distributed the photos without his wife's knowledge. To penalize Douglas for that would be patriarchal, Block said.

Chapman filed a complaint in 2010 saying that he had been the subject of a strange sexual plan in 2003. He said King had supplied him the photos and had asked him to have sex with Douglas.

Douglas was appointed a judge and rose to the position of associate chief justice of the Manitoba Court of Queen's bench.

King admitted last year that he solicited Chapman to have sex with his wife and supplied the photos. All parties have agreed that the pair never had sex. Later in 2003, King paid Chapman $25,000 to settle a sexual-harassment claim. But in 2010, Chapman said he could not keep silent any longer. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Wesmen dance-team co-director Allie Di Curzio jumps through the air, while dance-team director Jenn Jonasson looks on. DAVE BAXTER/FOR METRO

Dance — a new energy for Wesmen Athletics

Plans in the works. New athletic dance team will perform at sporting events and compete nationally against universities

Differentiation

"This will not be like a Dallas Cowboys dance team with skimpy outfits. These will be athletes and the focus will be athletic."

Dave Crook, Wesmen Athletics marketing and promotions director

DAVID BAXTER
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Winnipeg dancer Jenn Jonasson hopes a new University of Winnipeg dance team will bring excitement to Wesmen Athletics.

Jonasson, a U of W education student, thought a Wesmen dance team was something the school needed and brought the idea to school officials. She said they were originally unsure of the idea, but her passion and confidence helped change their minds.

"I just had an idea to combine my love of dance with my school," said Jonasson. "They haven't had a dance program like this before."

Jonasson will direct the team, which was originally approved as a student group but is now recognized as a Wesmen athletic team. "I was very excited. It's definitely making history," she said.

The team expects to start performing in the fall and Dave Crook, the marketing and promotions director for Wesmen Athletics, said it will bring much needed excitement to the Wesmen. "It will add another facet of entertainment to the events," said Crook. "It will be dancing and gymnastics combined and it will entertain the crowd and bring energy."

The team is looking for about 24 dancers and will begin auditions this September.

Governments unite to ease Plessis commute

Three levels of government have come together to make the commute through the east end of Winnipeg a little easier.

Federal, provincial and municipal officials announced Tuesday the Plessis Road Underpass is being considered a priority for funding under the major infrastructure component of the Building Canada Fund.

According to a press release, the project would see "the construction of a bi-directional rail bridge, the reconstruction and widening of close to a kilometre of Plessis Road, the construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, the lowering of Dugald Road to accommodate the addition of the underpass, and the construction of a pump house and land-drainage system to drain the proposed underpass."

Public Safety Minister Vic Toews said it will impact the entire city and those in Transcona.

"Once the work here is complete we expect to see a dramatic decrease in travel times for all commuters since the trains will no longer be stopping traffic," he said.

Transcona resident Brad Mastervick doesn't think the plans are good enough.

"I don't think they are doing enough. I think it should be three lanes in each direction," he said. DAVE BAXTER/FOR METRO

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On the web

Writer behind classic rom-coms dies at 71

Nora Ephron, the writer and director who worked on such blockbuster Hollywood hits as When Harry Met Sally and Sleepless in Seattle, has passed away at 71. Go to metronews.ca for more.

On the web

Senator Patrick Brazeau and journalist Jennifer Ditchburn went at it Tuesday after she filed an article about the Tory's lacklustre attendance record in the Senate. Scan the code to read the full story and to see what other Canadians have to say.

Confession

Man killed woman 'in cold blood' for her apartment, court hears

Serial killer Camille Cléroux confessed to murdering his 64-year-old neighbour because he liked her apartment better than his own.

Cléroux said in a June 2010 police interview that he killed Paula Leclair the month before because her apartment, in the same housing complex in Ottawa, had space for his things, a better view and was rent-controlled, Crown prosecutor James Cavanaugh told an Ottawa court Tuesday.

"Before the interview was over, Mr. Cléroux confessed to murdering Ms. Leclair in cold blood," Cavanaugh said.

Cléroux pleaded guilty Tuesday to first-degree murder in the death of Leclair, as well as two counts of second-degree murder in the deaths of two of his ex-wives, Lise Roy and Jean Rock.

Police began investigating Leclair's case in late May 2010, after her son, worried about his mother's wellbeing, let himself into her apartment and found a stranger's belongings everywhere, Cavanagh told the court.

Cléroux arrived shortly afterward and told Leclair's son she had gone on vacation and left the apartment to him, said Cavanagh. The son went to police.

Cavanagh said Cléroux's mistake was being unaware of Leclair's family life.

"He believed she was alone in the world. He did not know she had a loving son living in the city."

JESSICA SMITH/METRO IN OTTAWA

Messages, a Facebook fan page ... woman tells of link to Magnotta

Destiney St. Denis, founder of a popular Luka Rocco Magnotta fan site, says she's sorry for offending people with her page dedicated to the alleged killer. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO IN SASKATOON

Why was she so interested? 'It's because of his looks and his personality,' says 21-year-old from Saskatoon

MORGAN MODJESKI
Metro in Saskatoon

A 21-year-old woman from Saskatoon has talked of her link to accused body-parts killer Luka Rocco Magnotta.

Destiney St. Denis is the creator of one of the largest Magnotta Facebook fan sites.

She says Magnotta told her to create the page "weeks prior" to the day he was arrested in a Berlin Internet café after fleeing from Montreal.

St. Denis says she has passed the Facebook page administrator status to another person. She feels she was "somewhat" manipulated by Magnotta.

"I talked to him about it prior to what happened, he didn't tell me anything about the murder, but he asked me if I could make a page about him," said St. Denis, who initially messaged Magnotta about videos posted online of kittens being suffocated. "The last message he sent me was … right before he got caught."

When asked why she continued communication with Magnotta, she said: "I don't know — he would always send me hearts in messages if I don't reply to him."

When asked if she'd forgive him for manipulating her, she replied, "Yes."

Asked whether she'd keep in touch with Magnotta, she replied, "No comment."

Asked why she was so interested in him, St. Denis answered: "It's because of his looks and his personality, but I understand he is a psychopath."

Magnotta is charged with first-degree murder in the slaying of Chinese student Jun Lin, 33.

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Grim, gore

Mark Olver, an associate professor of psychology at the University of Saskatchewan, says there are a number of reasons why someone would be drawn to Magnotta.

- **Attraction.** "It's an attraction to the grim that has made him such a spectacle," Olver says.
- **Fascination.** "There's a lot of fascination with core violence and notorious people and some people have a tendency to glorify and idolize that. I don't know why."
- **Notoriety.** "Some people have a fascination with gore, with the macabre and celebrate these notorious figures," Olver added.

Stampede calf roping 'pain' upsets agency

The Vancouver Humane Society is hoping Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi will join its fight to stop calf roping at the Stampede rodeo.

"We think ... in terms of the stress and fear and pain the animal is subjected to, it is the worst event at the Stampede, and we're hoping our campaign will continue to raise the concerns about that event,'' Peter Fricker, the humane society's communications officer, said in an interview.

The event features a running calf and a rider mounted on a horse.

The rider must catch the calf by throwing a loop of rope from a lariat around its neck.

He then dismounts from the horse, runs to the calf and restrains it by tying three legs together in as short a time as possible.

"We have written to Mayor Nenshi in Calgary asking him to urge the Stampede's board to consider dropping calf roping, as he is a member of the Stampede board. We think he has a reputation as a very progressive and compassionate man," Fricker said.

"He has a lot of respect in the community and we think if he were to speak to the board about this that they would be obliged to listen.''

Grateful

"Thank you ... for your continued advocacy for animals."

Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi, in a letter to the humane society.

The letter was sent to Nenshi last spring. He received over 1,300 emails from concerned citizens encouraging him to use his position to help ban the sport.

The mayor declined.

"Although the mayor of Calgary has a seat on the board of the Calgary Stampede, the Calgary Stampede has ultimate authority over animal care at the Stampede rodeo," Nenshi replied in a letter to the humane society.

"Your inquiries and campaign should be directed toward that organization.

"However, I can say that the Calgary Stampede takes animal care very seriously and has been recognized across North America for its commitment to ensuring the health and safety of all the animals that participate in Stampede-related events."

Nenshi said the Calgary Humane Society and the Alberta SPCA are working with the Stampede to make sure animals are well looked after.

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The vanishing senator

Patrick Brazeau
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The youngest senator in the upper chamber also has the poorest attendance record for this session of Parliament.

Conservative Sen. Patrick Brazeau, 37, was absent for 25 per cent of the 72 sittings from June 2011 to April 2012, the Senate attendance register shows.

By the end of that period, the Quebecer was four days away from being fined.

Senators are allowed to miss up to 21 days in each parliamentary session for religious holidays, family illness or obligations, and funerals and grief.

They can also be away on public business, such as travel or a parliamentary delegation, as long it was unavoidable. After that, they can be fined $250 for each day missed.

From June 2011 to April 2012, Brazeau also missed 65 per cent of meetings at the aboriginal peoples committee on which he sits.

And he was away for 31 per cent of the meetings of the human-rights committee, where he is deputy chair.

The senator said in an email: "The very simple answer to your question with respect to my attendance or lack thereof is for personal matters."

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44 operations

Iraq suspends media closures

Iraq has suspended orders to close 44 media operations in the country after an outcry by press-freedom advocates, an official said Tuesday.

The media organizations included the BBC and Voice of America.

The Communications and Media Commission that regulates the news media in Iraq will give the targeted organizations more time to pay outstanding fees and renew lapsed licences, deputy director Ali Nasir said.

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'Zero Hero' gets an A for effort: School board reviews case

The Edmonton Public School Board says it will review how students are graded after a teacher was suspended for refusing to stop handing out zeros to students who didn't complete their work.

The board has voted unanimously to launch the review, which will begin after the summer break.

High school physics teacher Lynden Dorval — nicknamed the "Zero Hero" — is at the centre of the controversy.

His school, Ross Sheppard, has a policy of giving students an incomplete for assignments not handed in or tests missed, but Dorval refused to follow it.

Students started a petition to get him reinstated with some of them coining the moniker the "Zero Hero."

Dorval figures his career is in limbo until the review is over, because he won't teach again unless he can give out zeros on merit.

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China. Family called traitors for breach of one-child policy, father beaten

The Chinese father of a forcibly aborted fetus whose case prompted an international outcry has been beaten and forced into hiding.

Meanwhile, his wife and other family members have been labeled traitors by fellow townspeople, the man's sister said Tuesday.

Photos of the mother and dead fetus had been circulated online, embarrassing the government and prompting the suspension of three local officials in Shaanxi province.

They had forcibly aborted the late-term pregnancy earlier this month because it violated the country's tough one-child policy.

Apparently angered over the family's contacts with journalists, the local government has since organized a backlash against the family members, calling them traitors.

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Background

Deng Jiyuan's wife Feng Jianmei, 23, was forced to undergo an abortion on June 2 — seven months into her pregnancy — because the family could not afford a $6,300 US fine for having a second child. Graphic photos of the dead fetus lying next to Feng were posted online, drawing public condemnation and renewing criticism over the one-child policy.

- The Ankang city government apologized openly, suspending three officials and promising an investigation.
- But Deng said officials were cracking down on the family as well.

Addiction. UN pegs cost of proper global treatment of addicts at up to $250B a year

Drug abuse worldwide is stagnant but still kills about 200,000 people a year, the UN's drug-fighting agency said in a report released Tuesday.

Based on 2010 figures, the United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime also said global treatment for drug abusers would cost to $200 to $250 billion a year if everyone needing help received the proper care.

But the report noted that far less than that is being spent, meaning fewer than one in five people needing help actually get it.

Also, it said, loss of productivity and crimes committed by those needing to finance their habit result in huge additional costs.

In its annual report, the UN body said that about five per cent of the world's population used illegal drugs at least once in 2010.

Drug use remained stable in the five years up to 2010.

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U.S. study looks at HIV testing in drugstores

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Health officials in the U.S. want to know if Americans would go to a drugstore for an HIV test.

And to find out, U.S. health authorities have set up a pilot program.

The $1.2-million project will offer free rapid HIV tests at pharmacies and in-store clinics in 24 cities and rural communities, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced Tuesday.

Officials are hoping testing for the AIDS virus will become a routine service at drugstores like blood-pressure checks and flu shots.

"By bringing HIV testing into pharmacies, we believe we can reach more people by making testing more accessible and reduce the stigma associated with HIV," CDC's Dr. Kevin Fenton said in a statement.

Fenton oversees the agency's HIV-prevention programs.

Since 2006, the CDC has recommended that all Americans ages 13 to 64 get tested at least once, not just those considered at highest risk: Gay men and intravenous drug users.

But fewer than half of adults younger than 65 have been tested, according to the agency's most recent statistics.

It's important to know about infection not only for treating it but also to take steps to prevent spread.

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Details

The tests are already available at seven places in the States, and the CDC will soon pick 17 more locations.

- If the test is positive, customers will be referred to a local health department or health-care providers for a laboratory blood test to confirm the results, and for counselling and treatment.
- An estimated 1.1 million Americans are infected with HIV, but as many as 20 per cent of them don't know they carry the virus, according to the CDC. It can take a decade or more for an infection to cause symptoms and illness.
- When the project ends next summer, CDC officials will analyze what worked well and what didn't, said Paul Weidle, the epidemiologist heading it up.

Pharmacy manager Sarah Freedman in her store in Washington, Tuesday. Would you go to a pharmacy for an HIV test? EVAN VUCCI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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We must be getting close to Canada Day as all the news wires are clogged with Canada stories.

For example, this just in: U.K. academics rate O Canada as more difficult to sing than La Marseillaise, the French national anthem, and only slightly less difficult than The Star-Spangled Banner, the American anthem.

I beg to differ. La Marseillaise is great for storming the Bastille, but it's a little lusty for anything else. And, as far as I know, only Kelly Clarkson can handle "O say can you see …"

I like O Canada, even if lines like "in all thy sons command" are rarely spoken in real life. But it's right up there with a few of my other favourite Canadian things, which I will now share, as my Canada Day gift to you.

1 **The loonie (and toonie).** I love that our coin has character. I almost don't care that the new ones won't fit in parking meters or vending machines. Almost.

2 **Iconic tourist attractions.** Banff, Lake Louise, Niagara-on-the-Lake, the Canadian Niagara Falls, the Anne of Green Gables House, the Empress Hotel, Lunenburg, Old Montreal, etc. You can always tell you're in an iconic tourist attraction, because they always feature fudge. I'm not sure why, but the fudge factor is 100 per cent reliable.

3 **Vancouver's Stanley Park.** This could never happen today — 405 hectares of rainforest in the middle of one of the most densely populated cities in North America. Even better? It's a 10-minute bike ride from my place. And speaking of iconic, it has its own resident beaver, not to mention raccoons, herons, skunks, cormorants and coyotes.

4 **The CBC.** Battered, bruised, unable to produce watchable sitcoms, Canada's national network should be enshrined in the constitution for Peter Gzowski alone. You never know. Another one might come along someday.

5 **The Charter of Rights.** This is the best thing. Read it: laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/charter

6 **Roots.** I love that it was started by two Americans but is somehow undeniably, irresistibly Canadian. Products sold here go well with fudge.

7 **The Canadian flag.** Makes you want to stand under it and sing "in all thy sons command" in the wrong key. Even if you're from France.

8 **Wychwood Park.** A tiny enclave in Toronto, the epicentre of Marshall McLuhan's Global Village. The best unknown neighbourhood in Canada.

National pride: Canada Day fireworks.
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9 **Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump:** A world-heritage site in southern Alberta, where Prairie aboriginal people used to corral bison off the cliff and secure a year's supply of meat and hides. Stand on the precipice and look out beyond the centuries. Power place.

10 **Cross-border shopping:** Cheese and chinos for half the price! Avez-vous quelque chose à declarer? And welcome home.

Before a croc can strike

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Wildlife photography

Monkey risks it all for a drop to drink

If you don't risk anything, you risk even more … like a very dry mouth.

Hanging above the crocodile-infested Kinabatangan River in Borneo, this intrepid pig-tailed macaque drinks some water to quench his thirst. Wildlife photographer Cheng Shun Ling captured this amazing image while exploring the picturesque Indonesian island. METRO

Photog's view

"Credit given for being one brave monkey!"

Singapore-based wildlife photographer Cheng Shun Ling.
Ling sets the scene of the daring feat: "The branch was not stable and the macaque hung unsteadily over the river. It almost lost its footing more than once.
"It's not easy to drink upside down while hanging onto a branch with one leg."

Macaques 101

- **Local assets.** Tamed macaques have been trained by locals in Southeast Asia to climb up trees to throw down coconuts to farmers below. Trained ones have the ability to recognize ripe from unripe fruit, and can pick 800 to 1,000 coconuts per day.
- **And global ones too.** They are used extensively in research against HIV infection.

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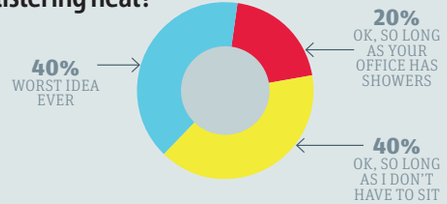

Twitter

@obbykhan60:
I learned 2 valuable lessons yesterday 1) Do not eat butter chicken before a hockey game 2) I can not play hockey

@iamrandyr:
I'm still sweating after my run and shower !!! #winnipeg

@lindshughs:
I miss BDI. I miss the FYXX. I miss Unburger. I miss Osborne Village. I miss the Kingshead. #winnipeg

@kpick4:
Anyone know what Dale Hawerchuk likes to drink... need to make up a drink for him #help #gojetsgo

@amandalargee:
At my sisters graduation and during the singing oh o Canada, it got a little louder at "true north" #gojetsgo

@ARoss90:
@EKane9JETS I hope a deal can b reached so ur around for many more seasons, a player with your skills is an amazing asset #gojetsgo

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Research In Motion

RIM suffers big stock drop ... again

Stock in Research In Motion Ltd. was under pressure again Tuesday, a day after falling to its lowest level in almost a decade in the wake of a downgrade by investment firm Morgan Stanley, which called the company "essentially broken."

On the Toronto Stock Exchange, RIM shares ended the day down 19 cents, or two per cent, at $9.17 trading after having gone as low as $9.09 after the open. The stock had closed down 76 cents at $9.36 on Monday after having traded as low as $9.27 at one point and remains at its lowest level since 2003. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Media conglomerate

News Corp. considers split

Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. confirmed Tuesday that it is considering splitting into two publicly traded companies, driving shares to their highest level in four-and-a-half years.

The Wall Street Journal reported that a split would put the entertainment arm into a separate company from News Corp.'s newspaper and book-publishing businesses. The entertainment business would include the Fox News, Sports and Business channels, the report said. The publishing businesses include the New York Post, the Times and Sun of London, the Dow Jones news service and the HarperCollins publishing imprints. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Rogers cuts 375 jobs amid lower profits, tough competition

Connect. Rogers, Bell and Telus are vying for lucrative smartphone subscribers on next-generation networks

People walk past a Rogers store in Montreal Tuesday. Rogers Communications Inc. says it will cut 375 jobs. RYAN REMIORZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Rogers Communications Inc. will eliminate 375 jobs, a move that comes as the wireless, cable and Internet provider cuts costs in the face of lower profits and tougher competition on all fronts.

The staff reduction is part of a cost-cutting strategy announced earlier this year and includes employees in the business, wireless, and cable and Internet divisions. They follow 300 job cuts announced in March.

For its first quarter, Rogers posted a lower profit of $305 million, or 57 cents per diluted share, on $2.95 billion in revenue for the first quarter. That compared with a profit of $335 million, or 60 cents per diluted share, on $2.99 billion in revenue a year ago.

Rogers' cable division is also battling fellow industry giant Bell, which has rolled out its Internet Protocol TV service in Montreal and Toronto. The service is delivered over an Internet Protocol network and allows users to watch sports, for example, while pulling up stats.

The layoffs in March focused on management and head-office positions. At the end of 2011, Rogers had almost 29,000 employees. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Coca-Cola. Soda giant to invest extra $3B in India

The Coca-Cola Co. and its bottlers plan to invest an additional $3 billion US in India over the next eight years to boost the soda giant's stake in the rapidly growing market.

The world's biggest beverage maker, whose brands include Minute Maid, Dasani and Powerade, is seeing some of its biggest gains come from emerging markets as growth at home slows.

In its first quarter, for example, Coca-Cola said its volume rose 20 per cent in India, compared with a two per cent increase in North America.

Including the new cash infusion, Coca-Cola said Tuesday that it now plans to invest $5 billion in India from 2012 to 2020. That's more than double the $2 billion it has invested since re-entering the market in 1993.

The Atlanta-based company had pulled out of India in 1977 to avoid handing control over to its Indian subsidiary and revealing its secret formula. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Appeal Court allows bank overtime lawsuits to go ahead

Class-action lawsuits against CIBC and Scotiabank seeking hundreds of millions of dollars for unpaid overtime can go ahead, the Ontario Court of Appeal ruled in a pair of decisions Tuesday.

The suits allege thousands of workers were denied overtime pay even though they were assigned more work than could be completed within their standard hours. The cases come amid a slew of similar cases over wage and hour issues south of the border.

A lower court had denied class-action status to the CIBC case, while a different court had allowed class-action status to be granted to the Scotiabank lawsuit.

However, the Appeal Court felt both cases, which have not been proven in court, should be handled the same way.

Class action

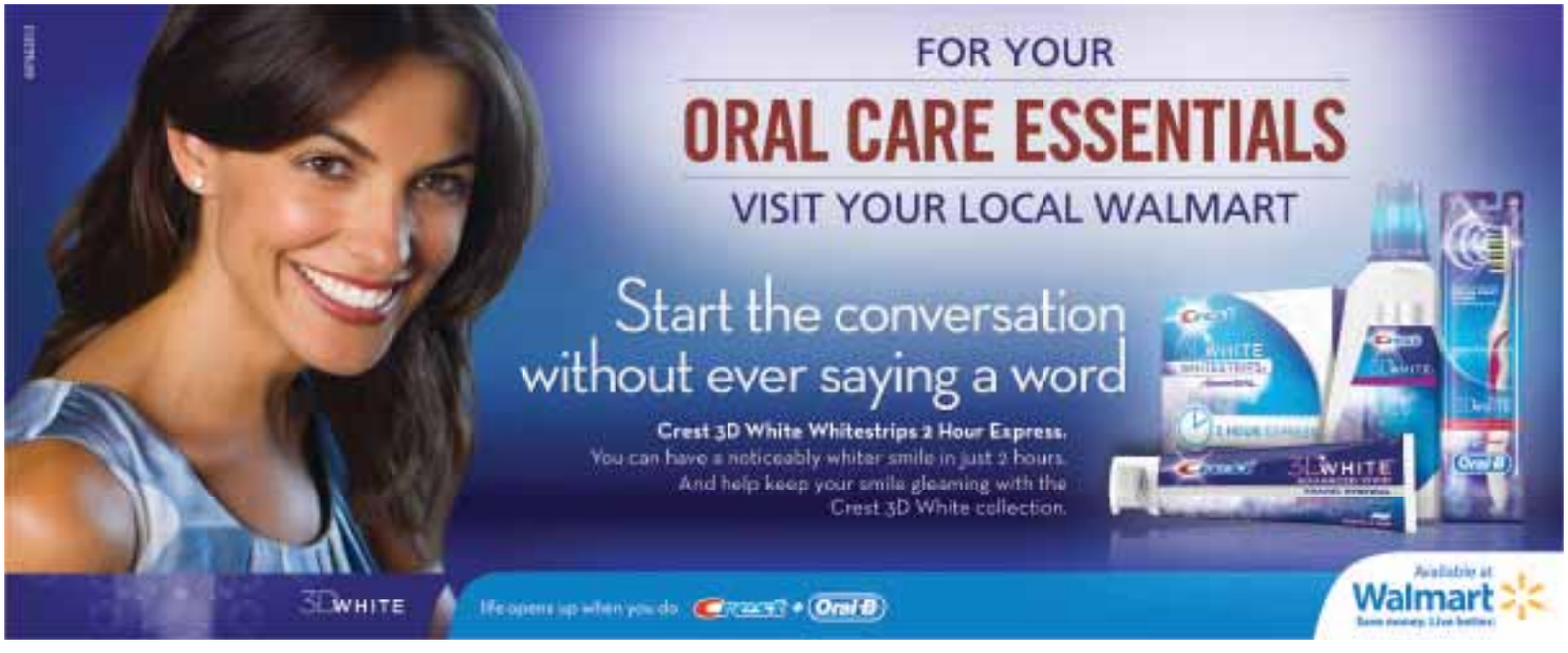
"Today the court said unequivocally that (the employees) are entitled to have the same kind of access that corporations have."

Louis Sokolov, a lawyer with the firm Sack Goldblatt Mitchell, which brought the bank cases with the firm Roy Elliott O'Connor.

In the CIBC case, teller Dara Fresco filed a lawsuit in June 2007.

Fresco launched the case on behalf of more than 31,000 tellers and other front-line customer-service employees working at more than 1,000 CIBC branches across Canada, including assistant branch managers, financial-service representatives, financial-service associates and branch ambassadors.

Cindy Fulawka, a personal-banking representative at Scotiabank, filed her class-action lawsuit against the bank in December 2007 seeking to represent some 5,000 Scotiabank personal or senior bankers, financial advisers and small-business account managers. THE CANADIAN PRESS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Scene in brief

Putting a public face on bone marrow transplants

A national bone marrow donation registry says the rate of new registrants has more than doubled since ABC News' Robin Roberts said that she'll need a transplant. The Good Morning America anchor is being treated for MDS, a blood and bone marrow disease. She will require a transplant this fall. Roberts stopped by a registration drive at ABC News on Tuesday, watching co-host George Stephanopoulos and her boss, ABC News President Ben Sherwood, get swabbed to see if their bone marrow is a match for someone who needs a donation. Jeffrey Chell, CEO of the registry Be The Match, said some 15,000 people had registered since Roberts announced her diagnosis on June 11. That's 11,200 more than they would normally receive in that period.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

On the web

Girl Power! Spice Girls in London for launch of stage musical Viva Forever

The cult of the man-child

Here's to the boys. They're raunchy and immature — so why do we love to watch grown men act like teenagers?

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Mark Wahlberg, left with the character Ted, voiced by Seth MacFarlane in a scene from Ted. UNIVERSAL PICTURES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"When I'm lyin' in bed at night," Tom Waits sang, "I don't wanna grow up."

He's not the only one. In recent years Cineplexes have been overrun by boy-men: adult males who still act as though they're 16 years old.

This weekend in the Seth MacFarlane comedy Ted, Mark Wahlberg is John, a man-child who had trouble letting go of his childhood teddy bear who came to life as the result of a childhood wish.

He does everything with Ted — including cower when a storm hits. "Thunder buddies for life, right, Johnny?" says Ted. John replies with an answer we can't print here.

That's one of the hallmarks of the man-child movie, they're raunchy.

Step Brothers is a rude and crude arrested development comedy with enough swearing to make Lenny Bruce blush. Will Ferrell and John C. Reilly play spoiled, unemployed men thrown together Brady-Bunch style when their patents wed.

They don't get along at first — they even try to bury one another alive — but soon their shared passion for karaoke brings them together, like two overgrown kids in a playground.

Adam Sandler has made a career playing testosterone-fuelled men who never grew up. In Mr. Deeds, Just Go with It, The Waterboy and Happy Gilmore he plays characters with the emotional age of a Baby Gap customer, but the classic is Billy Madison, where he plays a hotel heir forced to go back to grade school.

As Sandler was throwing temper tantrums on screen Jason Segel was slowly defining his child-man act. I Love You Man, with its Man Cave and Rush soundtrack, was a warm up to his most grown-up portrayal of an adolescent man. In Jeff, Who Lives at Home he plays a 30-something who lives at home and is obsessed with the M. Night Shyamalan film Signs. Overgrown and underdeveloped he turns an outing to the hardware store into a wild day.

Peter Pan with a plan

The common link to many of these man-child movies is one man — producer Judd Apatow.

- **If it ain't broke...** Not since Jerry Lewis has one man made so much money presenting the age-old gag of self-infantilizing on screen.
- **Big names.** He's worked with Ferrell, Sandler and Segel, and it was his R-rated The 40-Year-Old Virgin and Knocked Up that gave us Seth Rogen's brand of prolonged childhood.
- **Plans to recruit Paul Reubens?** Apatow even recently announced he's thinking about making a movie with pop culture's ultimate man-child, Pee Wee Herman.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

50 Cent ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

50 Cent released after suffering car accident injuries

Rapper 50 Cent was hospitalized in New York Tuesday after sustaining injuries in a car accident on the Long Island Expressway, according to the New York Daily News.

A report on the rappers website claims his SUV was rear-ended by a Mack truck, causing it to nearly flip over. 50 Cent "was taken to New York Hospital Queens where he was treated for minor neck and back injuries," his rep told reporters.

"He was released this morning and is doing fine."

Quote

"He was treated for minor neck and back injuries."

A report on the rapper's website says

The Word

John Stamos puts out booty call bat-signal

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John Stamos has a reputation as a smooth-talking party boy, but the actor insists this isn't the case.

"I try not to get trapped into everybody's image of who they think I am or who I should be," he tells Celebuzz. "I'm a guy that wants to be in a relationship and should be in a relationship. Sometimes I'm afraid of it because I don't want to let people down. You don't want to disappoint people."

This guy occupied Uncle Jesse's leather pants for the better part of the '90s. He can't possibly tell us that there is not an army of 20-somethings lining up to look in his sparkly green eyes and be disappointed. Or can he?

"You think I'm in New York, playing around. I sometimes feel the responsibility to be that guy," says Stamos, who is in the city shooting a film when not perfecting his sensitive, misunderstood act. "(But) I've been in New York for five weeks now, and I've gone to bed by myself."

John Stamos, did you just send out your bat signal of a booty call? We're honoured.

Miley Cyrus

Cyrus sets off wedding speculation

An innocent-enough Twitter post from Miley Cyrus over the weekend led to an avalanche of speculation that she and fiancé Liam Hemsworth would be tying the knot as soon as this week.

"Super lazy Sunday. Can't wait for next week," Cyrus posted.

But it turns out Cyrus is actually just eager for Hemsworth to visit, as he's shooting a movie in Louisiana. A source close to the Australian actor says not to expect a wedding anytime soon. Right now they are enjoying being engaged," the source says.

Twitter

@kelly_clarkson
I'm having the best vacation ever in Ireland! Just bought a Polaroid camera and having way too much fun!

@TomArnold
Flying over Iowa. Does this count as a visit with my dad?

@Oprah
could I be a nun? Ahhh a little late for that now! But even so, NOT my calling.

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5 spots to feel Canadian on Canada Day

O, Canada Day. Many Canucks claim to love the holiday more than Christmas and it's easy to see why. It's a better time of year weather-wise and a great excuse to relish in all things special to our home: toonies, double-doubles, ketchup chips and 'eh,' our word of affirmation that often brands us as Canadians. Where are the best places to feel patriotic on our nation's birthday? Here's our top five:

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1 Kingston

The country's first capital and home of Canada's first prime minister, Sir John A. Macdonald, the Limestone City is bursting with history. Fort Henry, built for protection from the U.S. during the War of 1812, is a must-see, but the place to be on July 1 will be Lake Ontario's waterfront between Kingston and Bath, Ont., to witness a suspenseful re-enactment of the Flight of the Royal George.

BOZDOZ/FLICKR

5 Halifax

One minute there are Mounties marching and the next acrobats flying through the air. The Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo runs July 1 to 8 at the city's Metro Centre and people come from all over to witness the spectacle made up of military and civilian talent. This year's theme touches on the RMS Titanic, the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the War of 1812.

SWEETGIRL/FLICKR

2 Ottawa

Thousands of people are expected to flood Parliament Hill in the nation's capital to celebrate Canada's 145th birthday on July 1. A must-experience at least once in your life, the atmosphere can't be beat as revellers break out their red and white best and show off their patriotic pride. Concerts by popular Canadian musicians, a traditional flag-raising ceremony and a spectacular fireworks display are among the festivities.

3 Your own backyard

You don't have to go far to find pride in Canada on the nation's birthday. Block parties typically break out in neighbourhoods across the country as everyone's off work and in a celebratory mood. Hosting a red-and-white-themed barbecue, where everyone washes down their favourite foods with a few Canadian-brewed cold ones, is a great way to show your patriotism close to home.

4 Vancouver

Watching new Canadians take their citizenship oath is a moving experience and on July 1, a traditional ceremony will kick off the events at Canada Place. From street hockey and a lumberjack show to a penny party in which citizens are encouraged to donate the soon-to-be forgotten coins to charity, Vancouver will be bursting with Canuck pride.

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LIFE

Travel in brief

When awkward goes on exhibit

A Sheboygan museum is hosting an exhibit of awkward moments. The John Michael Kohler Arts Center in New York is featuring 51 photos accumulated through the popular website awkward-familyphotos.com. It's the first time the collection is being shown in a museum setting. Childhood friends Mike Bender and Doug Chernack launched the website in May 2009, after Bender saw an awkward vacation photo in his parents' house. They knew there were probably other awkward family images out there so they created the site. Within a week, the site was receiving millions of visitors a day and thousands of submissions from around the world. Visitors to the exhibit can also share their own family photos and stories for a chance to win prizes. It runs through Oct. 27.

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On the web

Mountain communities in Ga., SC to celebrate 40th anniversary of Deliverance with festival

Summertime and the drinking is easy

JOE HOWELL

Midsummer's Night

Absinthe might be known as the Green Fairy, but this drink will go down much easier on a sweltering summer evening.

Galliano is a vanilla liqueur that adds an unexpected yet delicious element to this cocktail, and the blueberries should hang suspended in the drink like will-o'-the-wisps.

One of these beverages won't have you seeing sprites, but be careful —have a few, and you could become "that merry wanderer of the night," to quote Shakespeare's mischievous fairy Puck.

- 1 oz vodka
- 1/3 oz Galliano
- 2 oz cranberry juice
- 2 oz tart lemonade
- Fresh blueberries

1. Over ice, combine ingredients. Stir in a swirl of fresh blueberries. **ALL DRINKS BY JOE HOWELL, HEAD BARTENDER AT TORONTO'S THE SPOKE CLUB**

Aperol Fizz

Just like September, the Italian aperitif Aperol manages to be bitter and sweet at the same time.

The liquor is also fairly low in alcohol, so you can drink it on a sunny patio without fear.

Try not to think of how few alfresco days you have left — Canadian winters are long, but they only make summer all the sweeter.

Hopefully the vitamin C in the orange juice will inoculate you against cold season.

- 1 ½ oz. Aperol
- 3 oz orange juice
- 2 oz soda water
- Orange or grapefruit slice

1. In a rocks glass with ice, pour Aperol, orange juice and soda water. Stir, and garnish with a setting sun of orange or grapefruit.

Elderflower Lemonade

Though potent, this makes for a long, refreshing libation during the languid days of August.

Elderflower and lemon go together like a heat wave and a day off. Sadly, this recipe doesn't include a hammock to drink it in, and you probably won't find kids selling this particular lemonade for 50 cents a glass on your street.

Speaking of which, it's too hot to bother with homemade lemonade, so just buy some at the store.

- 1 1/2 oz Hendrick's gin
- 1/2 oz St. Germain Elderflower Liqueur
- 3 oz lemonade
- 3 oz soda water
- Two lemon wedges

1. In a tall glass filled with ice, add all ingredients. Then squeeze two lemon wedges in and stir gently.

The ABCs of building a stunning CV: Four simple steps to a refined resumé

Paper work. Ensure that your working-self summary doesn't wind up in the recycling bin

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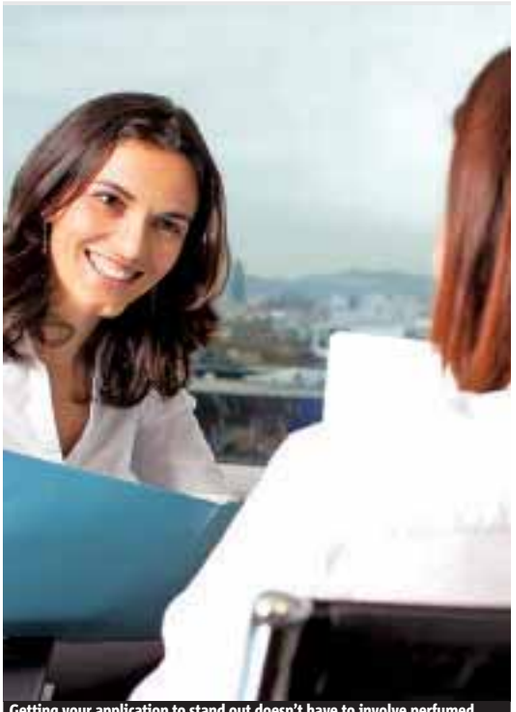

Getting your application to stand out doesn't have to involve perfumed stationery and pyrotechnics. ISTOCK

Keep it to one page
Your resumé should be short, easy-to-read and packed with information. Each word should be carefully chosen to showcase your experience and abilities. You don't have to include everything you've ever done, just the stuff that's relevant to the job you're applying for.

Try this: If you're having trouble cutting down your resumé, get friends or family to look it over and suggest areas that still need tightening. Also, try making the page margins and font size a bit smaller.

Create a different resumé for each role you apply for
You don't need to start from scratch each time, but you should tailor your experience and skills to match important keywords in the job description each time you apply. Scrap any unrelated details.

Try this: It's a good idea to maintain different "skeleton" resumés for each industry or sector you would like to work in. Add in specifics and change around words as needed.

Think functional rather than chronological
As a student or new grad, you probably had long gaps between work experience while you tried to balance school, finances and gaining meaningful work experience. That's OK! You have two options. Put your past roles in order of relevance to the job you're applying for, or put the one you think says the most about your abilities at the top and move down from there.

Ready-to-go versions

> "It's a good idea to maintain different "skeleton" resumés for each industry or sector you would like to work in."
> Cassandra Jowett

Try this: Work experience is still experience, whether you got paid or not. To save space, put everything under Work Experience and scrap the Volunteer Work section.

Be yourself, but keep it clean and simple
Although a creative, non-traditional resumé will make you stand out, be sure the person doing the hiring will really appreciate it before you go in that direction. Usually a resumé prepared in a word processor, such as Microsoft Word, printed in black ink on a white sheet of paper will do. There are hundreds of great looking templates out there, or you can start from scratch and create your own.

Try this: Easy-to-read fonts (avoid Times New Roman), bullet points and lines are great ways to ensure your resumé is not only readable but also visually pleasing without the use of colour, pictures or graphics. If you want to show off your creative side, point employers to your blog or online portfolio by including it with your contact information.

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NO NEED TO FEEL THE BURN

Enhance your workouts this summer by playing it smart and safe, says a spokesperson with the Ontario Kinesiology Association (OKA).

As the mercury soars and humidity levels increase, don't let your desire to stay in shape pull rank over your common sense.

"It's awesome to exercise outside and to get some sunshine, but you've just got to be sun smart and hydration smart," says Scott Tate, a certified kinesiologist and personal trainer representing the OKA. "Physical activity is proven to prevent, manage and treat all sorts of diseases and conditions, but doing it safely is particularly important in the heat of summer."

Once temperatures climb above 25 C and humidity rises higher than 80 per cent, your body has a tougher time managing its internal thermostat. Add in exercise and that will further challenge the body's response, says Tate.

You are best to exercise in air-conditioned facilities, especially if you have a history of cardiovascular disease or are recently recovering from stroke or heart attack. Pregnant women should seek cooler spots for fitness because a developing fetus has less capacity to regulate temperature, he says.

Hydration is vital. Drink a cup or two of water 30 to 60 minutes before exercising. If your workout extends beyond 30 minutes, sip another cup or so. Be careful not to drink too much so that it makes exercising uncomfortable.

Watch your intensity and monitor your heart rate using cardiac watches, chest straps or new smartphone apps that let you measure your vital signs by holding your finger over a sensor.

Consider wearing fabrics that absorb moisture such as Dri-FIT garments that wick perspiration away from the body, advises Shaun Karp, a personal training expert based in Vancouver.

"Get your gym work done in morning because it's cooler outside," says Karp. "That gets it out of the way because it's hard to be motivated to go to the gym on a hot, sunny day. Besides, it's beneficial to work out in the morning because it speeds up your metabolism for rest of the day." – *Kelly Putter*

TAKE CUES FROM YOUR CHILDREN

Slot in family fitness during the summer when kids are out of school and itching to do something physical. To get started, Shaun Karp, a personal training expert based in Vancouver, recommends playing games kids love such as survivor tag in which multiple people become "it" or Marco Polo, a tag game often played in swimming pools.

"Take cues from your kids," Karp says. "You can't expect kids to do in terms of fitness. Catch might not be interesting enough for kids, but by running and playing tag you'll burn more calories."

Baseball

Resilient Fish come back to win

It was an absolute see-saw match at Shaw Park on Tuesday night in the second of three home games against the Sioux City Explorers, and while 5,594 looked on, the first-place Winnipeg Goldeyes came back from three deficits to improve to 23-15 with an 8-7 victory. The Fish will look to sweep the series tonight at 7 p.m.

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Wimbledon

Serena avenges Venus's defeat

Four-time champion Serena Williams returned to the same Court 2 where big sister Venus was upset a day earlier and restored family pride by opening Wimbledon with a 6-2, 6-4 victory over Barbora Zahlavova Strycova on Tuesday.

Petra Kvitova, meanwhile, returned to the court where she won her first Grand Slam championship a year ago, overcame a shaky start and a late rain delay to beat Akgul Amanmuradova 6-4, 6-4.

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Euro 2012

One-man team vs. balanced attack

For Spain it's more about stopping one man, while for Portugal it will be about containing a whole team when the sides meet in Wednesday's European Championship semifinal.

While Cristiano Ronaldo holds the keys to Portugal's chances of taking a step closer to a first major trophy, Spain's charge toward an unprecedented third straight tournament title is anchored in selfless teamwork.

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Women's basketball

Canada falls short vs. France

The Canadian women's basketball team closed out preliminary round play Tuesday by dropping a 56-47 decision to France at the FIBA Olympic qualifying tournament.

Canada crushed Mali 89-23 in its Group D opener Monday. Canada would only be eliminated from the next round if Mali posted a huge blowout win over France on Wednesday.

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Bombers tailback Garrett out for season

CFL. Achilles tendon tear means Winnipeg will lean on its three rookie running backs

The Winnipeg Blue Bombers will have to defend their East Division title without tailback Chris Garrett.

The Bombers announced Tuesday the third-year player suffered a season-ending torn Achilles tendon in practice, falling to the turf after hauling in a pass.

"We are extremely disappointed after hearing the news from the doctors about how serious Chris's injury exactly is," Bombers GM Joe Mack said in a statement. "It is unfortunate for the club, but also for Chris as he was someone who was looking forward to being a big part of our offence this season.

"Chris is a tough young man who will overcome this and we wish him a quick recovery."

The loss is a big one for Winnipeg. The five-foot-eight, 185-pound Garrett averaged a stellar 6.3 yards per carry last season after taking over as the starting tailback once veteran Fred Reid was injured.

Garrett finished the year running for 576 yards and four TDs on 92 carries. He added 190 yards rushing on 29 carries to lead Winnipeg to a 19-3 win over Hamilton in last year's East Division final.

"I feel bad for Chris because he's a good guy and a good kid," Bombers head coach Paul LaPolice said. "We have three talented backs here and it's a good thing we did.

"Out of the backs we had, he (Dorzon) performed just as well as everybody else, if not better than all the guys in pre-season. If that's any indication I think he's ready to step in."

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Running back options

Winnipeg still has three rookie running backs in its ranks: Chad Simpson and Calgary native Anthony Woodson on the 46-man roster and Bloi-Dei Dorzon on the practice roster.

- With Simpson (lower leg) also not 100 per cent, Bombers head coach Paul LaPolice hinted Dorzon could be in the starting lineup against B.C.

Chris Garrett bobbles a pass during a pre-season game against the Hamilton Tiger-Cats June 20 in Winnipeg. JOHN WOODS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Called to the Hall

Twelve-time all-star Joe Sakic and Mats Sundin were elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame on Tuesday in their first year of eligibility, joining Pavel Bure and Adam Oates as the class to be inducted Nov. 12. Here's a look at the accomplishments of four players who terrorized National Hockey League goaltenders. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Joe Sakic

Sakic had 625 goals and 1,016 assists in his 20-year NHL career, all with the Colorado Avalanche franchise dating to 1988 when it was the Quebec Nordiques. He won two Stanley Cups (1996, 2001), earning the Conn Smythe Trophy in 1996 and the Hart Trophy in 2001.

"As a kid I always dreamed about making the NHL, but never really thought at all about the Hockey Hall of Fame," Sakic said in a statement released by the Hall.

Mats Sundin

Sundin, also selected in his first year of eligibility, had 564 goals and 785 assists in his 18 seasons — including 13 with the Toronto Maple Leafs. He holds Maple Leafs records for points (567), goals (420), 20-goal seasons (13), 30-goal seasons (10), game-winning goals (79) and regular-season overtime goals (14). He also won a gold medal with Sweden.

Pavel Bure

Bure, a six-time all-star and Calder Trophy winner as the league's rookie of the year with Vancouver in 1992, had 437 goals and 342 points in 12 seasons with the Canucks, Florida and the New York Rangers. He led the NHL in scoring in 1999-2000 and 2000-01 while with the Panthers.

Bure, a right-winger known as the Russian Rocket, had back-to-back 60-goal seasons in the early 1990s and had five seasons of 50-plus goals.

"It's a huge honour," he said.

Adam Oates

Oates was the premier passer of his time, who formed legendary one-two punch combinations with finishers like Brett Hull in St. Louis and Cam Neely in Boston.

The Toronto native was never drafted, but was signed as a free agent by the Detroit Red Wings in 1985. He had 341 goals and 1,079 assists, which was sixth all-time, in 19 seasons.

4 SPORTS

NHL

"The league's doing really well. There's been increased revenues — record revenues — every year. It's on a track that seems like almost exponential growth; to halt that would be a shame on both sides."

St. Louis Blues forward David Backes on the upcoming collective bargaining agreement negotiations. The NHL and NHL Players' Association are scheduled to kick off formal talks on a new CBA in New York on Friday, according to multiple sources.

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Diving

Despatie happy with progress

Canadian diver Alexandre Despatie said he's pleased with his progress since resuming physical activity last week. Despatie suffered a concussion two weeks ago after hitting his head on the board, which required surgery to close a 10-centimetre wound near his hairline. "Things are going great," Despatie said in an audio recording released by Diving Canada.

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On the web

The winds of youthful change are blowing along CFL sidelines and having a ripple effect in some front offices as the 2012 regular season approaches. Scan the code to find out more about the league's four new, relatively young coaches.

5 DRIVE

Top Gear

What emergency?

If you travel off-road into remote areas, you want to be prepared to handle most emergencies. The Large Emergency Backpack from Relief Pod (Part No. RP114-501B) contains all the essentials you might need for two people to survive for up to three days, including emergency rations, water, tools, shelter, plus a variety of first-aid items. And all of the contents are stored in colour-coded pouches (red for first aid, yellow for tools, blue for food and water, and green for sanitary items and toiletries) so you can quickly find exactly what you need. The Large Emergency Backpack sells for $600 US. Check out the full line at reliefpod.com.

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Gen Y-ers, pay attention

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2013 Acura ILX

- **Type.** Four-door, front-wheel-drive compact sedan.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre SOHC I4 (150); 2.4-litre DOHC I4 (201); 1.5-litre SOHC I4 with electric motor (111).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 8.6/5.6 (2.0).
- **Base Price:** $29,700.

Well-insulated cabin

Driving each of the three versions of ILX on Arizona's generally ripple-free secondary roads wasn't ideal for conducting suspension torture tests, but the cabins are well-insulated from road and wind noise and the cars are really quite competent road machines.

Well-equipped

All models show up in a well-equipped state and include a power moonroof, keyless push-button start, rear-view camera and a six-speaker audio system. The available Premium Package includes leather-covered seats (heated in front), premium audio system and 17-inch wheels (16s are standard).

Powertrain options

There's nothing shy about the range of powertrain options. Base iterations arrive with a 150-horsepower 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine that operates through a five-speed automatic transmission.

For the more performance-minded, there's a 201-horsepower, 2.4-litre four-cylinder that uses a six-speed manual gearbox.

At the socially conscious end of the lineup is the Hybrid that combines a 1.5-litre four-cylinder with an electric motor to generate 111 net horsepower. The Hybrid is teamed up with a continuously variable transmission (CVT) to produce 5.0 l/100 km in the city and 4.8 on the highway, compared to 8.6/5.6 for the 2.0 and 9.8/6.5 for the 2.4.

Review. It turns out that we like smaller cars ... when they're like this

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If parent Honda's research is correct, the Acura ILX sedan will be a hit with a new crop of near-premium buyers who have their eyes on their bank accounts.

In fact, the compact ILX, which is just now arriving in dealer showrooms, is a far cry from the automaker's earlier entry-level efforts, such as the fun-loving Integra sedan and coupe from the 1980s and '90s, the flashier RSX coupe from the '00s and the Honda Civic-based CSX sedan that was retired prior to the 2012 model year.

Those models appealed to a more exuberant audience, including the so-called "tuner" crowd, while Acura's newest pocket sedan is for a growing segment of non-enthusiast Generation-Y-types in their mid-20s to mid-30s who favour affordable luxury with a side order of social responsibility.

As with the previous CSX, the ILX is actually based — very loosely — on the current Honda Civic, although the ILX is larger.

From the front and side, the ILX's high style is evident, however the short, rounded rear deck looks a bit out of place with the rest of the design and the result is a trunk of only modest proportions for its class.

ILX pricing begins at $29,700, including destination charges, for the base 2.0 and climbs to $36,900 for the Hybrid, while the 2.4 starts at $31,900.

Those values should appeal to the Gen Y target group, but it's likely that more aging baby boomers than Acura anticipates will also pick the ILX for its conservative stature, pampering amenities and appealing price.

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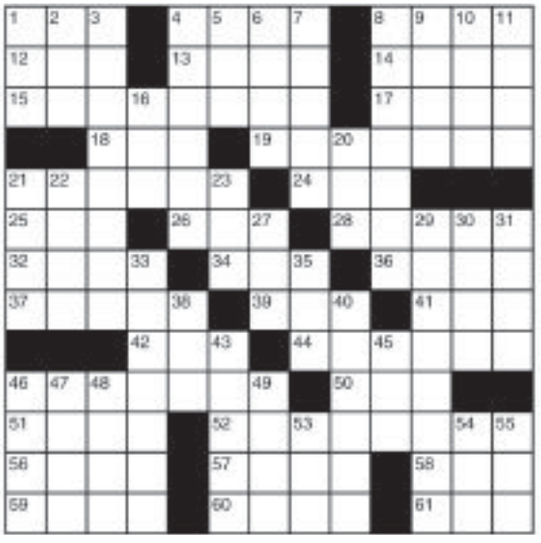

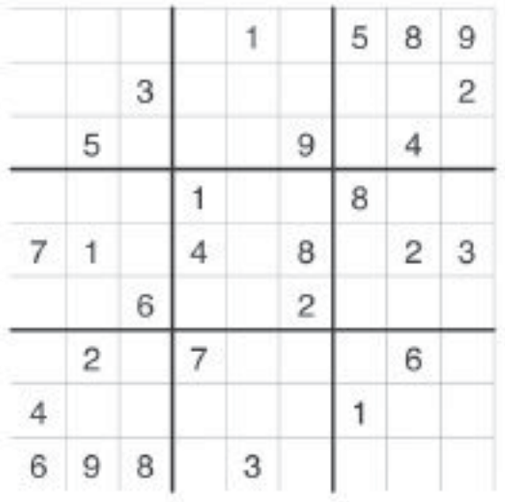

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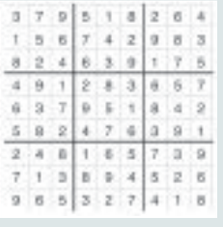

Yesterday's Crossword

Cryptoquip

How to play
This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

O N S EPQ HLPRRBYAKQ YWNPHWJ LB KWL EB BN FOH CWLSK HBJS DSA, COEFL QBP DSKK FOC LOA-SDOBPH?

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: SUPPOSING YOU STRAP SOMEBODY UNTIL HE STARTS SINGING, YOU MIGHT SAY YOU BELTED OUT A TUNE.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals O

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Horoscope

Aries | March 21 - April 20. You will be hugely affectionate and generous over the next 24 hours, not at all the me-first-at-all-costs Aries we know and love.

Taurus | April 21 - May 21. Do you control your desires or do you indulge them? That is the question you need to answer today and you'll have a fun time doing so.

Gemini | May 22 - June 20. You may be the kind of person who enjoys risks but with values planet Venus turning direct in your sign today, you might prefer to sit on the fence and see how things develop.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Take your pleasures where you find them and don't feel guilty that you are having such a great time while others seem to be struggling. You need to be generous to yourself.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. Things are going well for you now but you are afraid there is some kind of catch, a price to be paid for your good fortune. There isn't.

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. What happens today will calm your fears and make you realize that negative things are only likely to happen if you allow negative thoughts to get out of control.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. This could be a restless sort of day for you, but the planets indicate that the more you chop and change, the more you will enjoy yourself.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Friends, relatives, colleagues and even strangers will gather round hoping for a handout today. Instead of giving them money, treat them to a few words of your Scorpio wisdom.

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. Praise seems to be coming your way in increasing abundance and there may be times today when you get a bit embarrassed by it all.

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. You won't be amused when someone you hardly know starts probing into your affairs. Protect your privacy.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. You can't seem to get settled in any one place for more than a few minutes, but that's OK. Forget about your chores and responsibilities, and do what makes you happy.

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. You've always been generous, but there are times when your nature works against you. It's something you need to watch out for today. There are far too many freeloaders.

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